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January 29, 2003

F. David Butler, Esquire General Counsel S. C. Public Service Commission Post Office Box 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Docket No. 1997-239-C - Universal Service Fund Proceeding

Dear Mr. Butler:

Thank you for your letter of January 24, 2003. BellSouth intends to remain as an intervenor in this docket. My email address is patrick.turner@bellsouth.com and my facsimile number is 803-254-1731.

If you need any additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Patrick W. Turner

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